

Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Rushing of Boston, Fox of Boston and Walz of Boston) congratulating David Eppstein for his support of Fenway Community Development Corporation's efforts to create institutional community partnerships;

David
Eppstein.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Sánchez of Boston and Malia of Boston) honoring Nancy Doherty and her many accomplishments as a Jamaica Plain resident and activist; and

Nancy
Doherty.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Stanley of Waltham) congratulating Marion Thomson Gentry on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday;

Marion
Gentry.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communication.

A communication from the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (see section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report for the fiscal year 2012, was placed on file.

Merrimack
Valley
Transit
Authority.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Fernandes of Milford and Senator Moore, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John V. Fernandes and Richard T. Moore relative to the purchase of prostate cancer medication.

Prostate
cancer,—
medication.

By Representative Haddad of Somerset and Senator Rodrigues, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patricia A. Haddad and Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Judith Rocha, an employee of the Department of Children and Families.

Judith
Rocha,—
sick leave.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gary Vuolo, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 2449) (on a petition),

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passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Middlebor-
ough,—
consultants.

A Bill authorizing the rent board of the town of Middleborough to impose fees for the employment of outside consultants (Senate, No. 2433) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reports of Committees.

Wendy
Watts,—
sick leave
bank.

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Wendy Watts, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (House, No. 4497). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kafka of Stoughton for said committee then reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Kafka, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Reports

Scituate,—
Frank M.
Hynes
station.

Of the committee on Transportation, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 4321) of James M. Cantwell and Viriato Manuel deMacedo relative to designating a certain train station in the town of Scituate as the Frank M. Hynes Station at Greenbush; and

Fitchburg,—
Bourque
bridge.

Of the same committee, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill House, No. 4458) of Stephen L. DiNatale and Jennifer L. Flanagan relative to designating a certain bridge in the city of Fitchburg in honor of George J. Bourque;

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on a motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, the reports were considered forthwith. Pending the question, in each instance, on acceptance of the reports, the petitions were recommitted, on further motions of the same member.

Election
laws
issues,—
study.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Election Laws, on House, No. 3998, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Election Laws to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning election laws issues (House, No. 4498) [Representative Lombardo of Billerica dissenting].

Taxation
issues,—
study.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, No. 4036, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Revenue to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning taxation issues (House, No. 4499).

Energy
issues,—
study.

By Mr. Keenan of Salem, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on House, No. 4038, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy to make an investigation and study of a certain House document con-

cerning energy issues (House, No. 4500) [Representative Hunt of Sandwich dissenting].

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Fairhaven to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 4293, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Relative to commuter shuttles and public transportation improvements (House, No. 901) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third
reading
bills.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Wayne Murry, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4481) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Barbara A. Diciaro, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4488);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At a twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.